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VIA ECF

Honorable Jesse M. Furman United States District Judge Southern District of New York Thurgood Marshall U.S. Courthouse 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

> Re: United States v. Joshua Adam Schulte, S3 17 Cr. 548 (JMF)

Dear Judge Furman:

The Government respectfully submits this letter pursuant to the Court's Order, dated October 18, 2021, directing the Government to address the defendant's claims regarding a search of his cell conducted by Bureau of Prisons ("BOP") personnel on or about August 19, 2021. (D.E. 570 at 3 (citing defendant's letter at D.E. 524)). The search was conducted by the BOP under its own authorities and not at the Government's request. The Government has conferred with BOP, which has advised that all of the defendant's DVD/CDs were returned to him prior to his transfer from the Metropolitan Correctional Center to the Metropolitan Detention Center. During the August 2021 search, BOP personnel found a number of DVD/CDs in the defendant's cell that were unmarked, a violation of BOP policy. Any discovery discs provided by the Government are so marked. Accordingly, the discs were taken, reviewed, and returned. Moreover, as the Government has previously noted, the Government understands that any discovery previously produced to the defendant on discs is duplicated on his current discovery laptop's internal hard drive, provided to him by his former counsel. (See D.E. 499 at 40; n.9).

Respectfully submitted,

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